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AMENDMENT; AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICIAL ACTION DATED MARCH 15, 2006

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments. A response to the first Official Action dated March 15, 2006 ("the Action") is also submitted and the Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the remarks therein. The response is timely filed with a petition for extension of time and the appropriate fee. The response and accompanying documents place all claims in condition for allowance and re-examination and reconsideration is respectfully requested on this basis.